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Scituate Fire Determined to Be Intentionally-Set

State Fire Marshal Stephen D. Coan, Scituate Fire Chief Richard Judge and Scituate Police Chief Brian Stewart announced their joint investigation into yesterday afternoon's fire at 204 Central Avenue has concluded the fire was intentionally-set.

Chief Judge said, "Fortunately no one in the home and no firefighters were injured." The seasonal home had been closed up for the winter.

Chief Stewart said, "The fire occurred around 3:30 in the afternoon. If anyone saw or heard anything in that area around that time, please call the Scituate Police or Fire Departments or the statewide Arson Hotline at 1-800-682-9229." The Arson Hotline is part of the Arson Watch Reward Program funded by the property and casualty insurance underwriting companies of Massachusetts. It provides rewards of up to \$5,000 for information that helps to solve the crime of arson.

The fire is being jointly investigated by the Scituate Fire and Police Departments and State Police assigned to the Office of the State Fire Marshal.

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